

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace paragraph [0016] of the specification with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0016] Figures 1-6 illustrate actuators 25, 27 and 28 and telescopic actuators 23, 24 and 26. It should be understood that such apparatus can be hydraulic, pneumatic, mechanical, or electrical. Suitable control apparatus motors, pumps, switches, plumbing and wiring components of conventional and suitable kinds can be coupled to the several actuators 25, 27 and 28 and telescopic actuators 23, 24 and 26 to control the motion of such devices. Such control apparatus 10 can be mounted at convenient locations on the vehicle, for example in a cab of the vehicle or at an operator station located on the vehicle. It is also contemplated that a control apparatus remote from the vehicle 5 can be used, for example, tethered to the vehicle or in communication with the vehicle by radio or light waves.

Please replace paragraph [0020] of the specification with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0020] Coupled to one end of the riser portion 30 is a boom portion 40. A boom pivot pin 46 can be used to couple the boom portion 40 to the riser portion 30. Articulation of the boom portion is provided by actuators ~~25~~ 27. As illustrated in Figure 1, an actuator ~~25-27~~ is coupled to the boom portion 40 and the riser portion 30. More than one actuator ~~25-27~~ can be used. The boom portion 40, includes a boom base portion 42 and a boom fly portion 44 which portions are coupled together with a telescopic actuator ~~26~~ 24. Such construction allows the boom fly portion 44 to extend from the boom base portion 42 in a telescopic manner, thereby extending the reach of the boom portion 40. It should be understood that telescopic assemblies with more than base and fly portions are contemplated.

Please replace paragraph [0021] of the specification with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0021] A jib portion 50 is coupled to one end of the boom portion 40. A jib portion 50 includes a jib base section ~~42~~ 52 and a jib fly section 54. The jib base section 52 is coupled to the jib fly portion 54 by a telescopic actuator ~~56~~ 23. It should be understood that as described above telescopic assemblies with more than base and fly portions are contemplated. Articulation of the jib portion 50 is provided by actuators ~~25~~ 28 coupled to the jib portion 50 and the boom portion 40. One end of the jib portion is coupled to a hook 60. The hook 60 can be articulated by suitable actuator coupled to the hook and jib portion 50.